

The County News.

SHORT PARAGRAPHS Collected by our Local Correspondents, for the BETHEL NEWS.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

You are earnestly requested to send us the news from your locality every week. If you get out of stationery drop us a line. In every town where we have not already got a correspondent we would like to make arrangements with some person to furnish us with items. Write us.

BETHEL.

Ed Soule took a fishing trip this week. Clayton Evans is working at the Berlin House. H. F. Marston is making repairs about his hotel.

The paper train now arrives in town on Sunday at 11.20. H. Price Webber and Dramatic Co., will be here on July 4. Chas. Clark is pushing work on his house as rapidly as possible.

D. B. York passed through here Saturday on his way to Portland. About fifty men worked Sunday at the Coffey Dam for the Glen Co. The store for formerly occupied by F. L. Wilson & Co., in Green St., is being repaired.

Tickets may be bought at all times at Clarks Book Store for the ball games. Jos. Coyle has moved his harness shop to the store adjoining Dale's blacksmith shop.

A party stopping at the Berlin House took a trip to summit of Mt. Porist, Sunday. Wm. Chick of the firm of Chick Bros., of Haverhill, Mass., was in town over Sunday in the interest of the Berlin Shoe Co.

C. C. Gush & Co., are making extensive repairs on their store. It is to be much enlarged and is to have a much wider front and is to be even with the sidewalk.

The game of ball on Masons field between Hebron Academy was the best game of the season. Quite a large crowd attended the game. The game stood 2 to 1 in favor of the Hebron until the eighth inning where it stood 4 to 4. At the close of the ninth inning it stood 5 to 4 in favor of the home team.

The second game of ball between Hebron and Berlin, took place on Mason field and resulted in another victory for the Berlin. The features were the fielding and Morris pitched for the Berlin, and Lufkin and Chase for the Hebron. The following is the score by innings.

Berlin	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Hebron	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	3

GROVER HILL. Grass generally is very light. True Brown is at work for Henry Stiles.

The Lyon Bros. are reshingling their barn. Mrs. S. B. Peaslee is making a lot of hard soap this summer.

Fred Ordway and wife were in this section buying poultry last week. Geo. French passed through this section soliciting orders for the Larkin Soap Co., one day last week.

Mrs. Gusta M. Pratt attended at Auburn, recently the graduation exercises, where her cousin Miss Minnie Abbott was valedictorian of the class.

School in this district taught by Miss Ina M. Hazleton, closes this week; she has as usual taught a very successful term. We hope she will teach the fall term also.

Mrs. Abiah Bennett, aged 82 years, is one of the smart old ladies of Bethel; she does many kinds of embroidery etc., that would puzzle many young ladies to execute in so fine a manner.

UPTON. The continual dry weather causes the farmers to expect a shortage in crops this season.

F. W. Bragg is making extensive repairs on the road in Cambridge. John Barker is repairing his house by raising the roof and remodeling inside.

Fordyce Brooks and N. T. Chase are out again after a severe illness. Hastings took a lot of calves from here last week.

The dance at Paul West's was largely attended and all reported a good time. H. I. Abbott framed an addition to Al Brook's barn last week.

GRAFTON. James Brown returned home last week. Gilbert Tyler has returned home from Dixville.

Charles Frost of Hanover, is visiting at G. A. Otis'. The Ladies' Sewing Circle meets with Mrs. A. F. Brooks next week. Fred Kilgore and wife, from Newry, are now staying at J. A. Farrar's.

Bertha Cross, who teaches the school in this town, spent Sunday at her home in Bethel. David Fleet and wife, of Sunday River, were in town recently. Also C. T. Parker and family from Swan's Corner.

DENMARK. Geo. Colby has several boarders already, also quite a number have come to Jones' at the "Maple Wood."

Rufus Morrill of Norway who is drawing Spool Stock to Brownfield for Augustus Ingall, had the misfortune to lose a nice horse last Friday of Colic one of a black pair he has had some time.

WEST BETHEL. Crackerly bang, fizz, swish, boom, pop! Picnic lemonade, whiskey and beer! Up my tower's leg crawls the grasshopper, Fourth of July comes but once a year.

Bethel has had her Celebration, and many will go to Norway the 4th. H. B. Chapman drives through this village and vicinity every Thursday with fresh fish.

Miss Flora J. Wheeler, whose eyes have for some time been troubling her, has gone to Portland for treatment.

D. D. Matheson runs a meat cart from Bethel so this place every Friday, and is a good man to deal with. Leroy Brackett is suffering from neuralgia in the head. Dr. Hill was called to see him Friday.

Miss Minnie E. Wheeler, a teacher in the schools of Marth's Vineyard, Mass., is passing a four weeks vacation with her parents.

Misses Esma and Eula Mills and their brother Carlton, of Auburn, are visiting their grandparents, uncles, aunts and cousins in this vicinity.

Twelve dollars worth of bound books are offered this week in the Portland Transcript for answering puzzles, and three dollars in money to every person solving all the puzzles for three months. Readers of the News who do not take the Transcript should become subscribers at once, and enter the contest for the beautiful books.

The West Bethel correspondent of the Norway Advertiser calls the writing of poetry an art. Arts are acquired by experience, study, etc., while poetry is a heaven-sent gift, and is not taught in schools or colleges. It is as natural for one born with that gift, to write poetry as for wild birds to sing, or mountain streams to run. The quotations which usually head our items may rightfully be termed doggerel, and are selected from the writings of those who do not claim to be poets, for the amusement of our readers.

BUCKFIELD. S. N. Buck of Bethel, was the guest of Gilbert Tilton Sunday, June 28th.

The abutments are being put in for a new and larger bridge than the one wrecked by the freshet. A. F. Tilton, wife, Merton and Don, of Auburn, visited Mr. Tilton's parents Saturday, returning Monday.

The church parlor is nearly completed. Rev. Mr. Rich is doing the joiner work. A hard pine floor is completed.

The graduates at this place from Hebron, the term lately closed, were Misses Amy W. Shaw, Laura Z. Dean and Bessie May Caldwell.

Rev. G. D. Lindsey of Portland, delivered a discourse in the interest of the Odd Fellows of this place Sunday, at the Methodist church. The house was well filled, and elaborately decked with flowers.

Dr. A. E. Cole late of Boston, shipped his household goods to Rumford Falls, intending to open dental rooms at the latter place. Freight from Portland to Boston one hundred eleven miles, half a car \$8.00. From Portland to Rumford Falls, seventy-five miles, \$22.00. Kents were so scarce and high, with no place to store his goods he had them reshipped to this place.

MILTON PLANTATION. Mark Allen was at home over Sunday.

Strawberries are very scarce in this vicinity. School closes this week. Mary Chapman of Bethel, teacher.

Mann's Clothes-pin factory stops work this week for lack of birch. Miss F. E. Burham of Bethel, is stopping at E. Andrews this week.

We have heard that W. P. Andrews has bought a place at South Woodstock and will move soon.

Mrs. Addie Lapham has gone to spend the summer with her daughter, Mrs. C. A. Clifford at Rumford Falls.

MASON. George French was in town Tuesday.

C. Grover of Grover Hill was in town Thursday, on business. "Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Brown have been to Paris visiting.

Rev. J. I. Lowe preached at this place last Sunday.

Ella Tyler has returned home. S. O. Grover bought a cow of John Lord last Saturday.

Ripans Tabules cure flatulency. Ripans Tabules cure flatulency.

PISO'S CURE FOR CHICKEN POX AT RUMFORD FALLS. PISO'S CURE FOR CHICKEN POX AT RUMFORD FALLS.

NO USE FOR MONEY.

A SETTLEMENT OF QUEER PEOPLE ON THE ISTHMUS OF PANAMA.

They Do Not Worry About Fine Houses and Railways and Food is as Plentiful as Air—They Are Not Worried Over Financial Problems.

"We had to remain in Panama bay three days before the steamer sailed," said a traveler who had recently returned from a trip across the isthmus, as he lighted a fresh cigar, "and a friend of mine decided to spend the time exploring the bay. We hired two West India darkies, who had a longboat, with a sail which could be hoisted when the wind was fair, to row us around. Well, of course, we sailed up the canal as far as there was any water and saw the strange which had been made, or rather the lack of progress; but that is another story."

"We shot one alligator and shot at a dozen more. They were lying along the banks of the canal swimming themselves, and looked exactly like logs to the inexperienced eye from a distance. Upon nearer approach the log was suddenly become animated and would slide off the bank into the water with a splash."

But what I started to tell about was a peculiar settlement of natives some bay. It seemed peculiar to me, but such things may be common down there, but I am told they are. At any rate, it was a settlement of people who had left themselves far removed from the modern world that they had no desire for money.

"To tell the truth, they have little or no use for money, but yet I have never seen people who honestly cared so little for the root of all evil as these half naked natives of the isthmus did. It was a small settlement of perhaps two dozen houses. A dwelling consisted of poles stuck up endways, an inch or so apart, to allow the air to circulate freely, and consisted of one room, open to the gaze of all the neighbors through the spaces between the poles."

In this lived father, mother, children, pigs, dogs, chickens and any other creature in the possession of the family. The children, up to the age of 12 or 14, did not wear any clothing whatever, and the adults none to amount to anything. Bananas, coconuts and other things grew on every hand, and there were plenty of fish in the bay. The members of the whole community seemed to spend their time much in amusing themselves. When they were picking, and the fish were secured almost as easily. It was a long sail in our small boat from the ship lying at anchor in the bay, but we had started at the settlement about noon. The natives paid little attention to us and some of them did not even look at us as we passed. Others partly opened their eyes and lazily looked up upon our approach, but when we had passed they went to sleep again without so much as turning their heads to see where we were going.

Our guides told us to pick up much of the fruit as we wished. We expressed a fear that the owners would object, but were assured that they would not. So we picked a basketful of fruit, and a basket of bananas. But we felt guilty nevertheless in walking away with a big basket of delicious fruit without so much as offering to pay anything for it. We so expressed ourselves to our guides, so they told us to offer the people something—what?

"I took several small silver pieces from my pocket and offered them to the man who seemed to be the head of the family. He was lying with his half closed eyes near the entrance of his home. He opened his eyes a little wider when I approached him, shook his head and mumbled something which I could not understand. I looked inquiringly at the guide, who had followed me. He says he has no use for it, the guide interpreted, and so we went our way, and it was starlight when we again reached the ship."—New York Tribune.

The Two "Dark Days." There are two "dark days" mentioned in the annals of New England. The first occurred on Oct. 21, 1719, when it suddenly became so dark soon after noon that the people were forced to use artificial lights to do their ordinary work. This strange condition of the atmosphere lasted about 3 1/2 hours. Again, on May 19, 1780, there was a remarkable darkening of the atmosphere, but the phenomenon did not come on so suddenly as that upon the earlier date. The darkness in this latter case began between 10 and 11 o'clock and lasted throughout the day. The darkness extended from the northeast part of New England westward as far as Albany and southward to Pennsylvania. The most intense and prolonged darkness, however, was especially in the southwest, but there is no mention of it made in the history of Ohio or the Virginia. The exact cause still remains one of the unexplained mysteries.—St. Louis Republic.

Their Minutes. "I wonder," said a member of a woman's association, "why the report of the secretary is referred to as 'minutes'?" "I don't know," replied another. "It always seems a great deal more like hours."—Washington Star.

Fun has no limits. There is like the human race and face. There is a family likeness among all the species, but they all differ.—Haliburton.

The long line of English precedence is closed by burghers, who rank next below citizens, who follow officers of the army and navy.

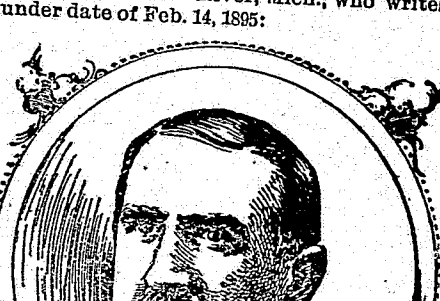
Common as the practice of tipping is becoming in this city, there must still be restaurants in which tips are neither given nor expected, and among these there is one in the neighborhood of Park row. I have not been so familiar with these places in recent years as I used to be years ago, before they had grown so large and when coffee and cakes furnished the chief staple of the food provided. In those days I am quite sure that nobody ever thought of tipping the waiters, and I believe that the same practice prevails in them now. It might be that a waiter would take a tip from an old customer with whom he was on friendly terms, but I doubt if he would take one from a casual guest. I think if such a guest should put a tip on the table the waiter would wipe it off on the floor with the cloth with which he swabs the table.

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What Kills Mac? A coroner in Australia recently reasoned out a verdict more sensibly than one-half the verdicts usually rendered. It appeared that an Irishman, conceiving that a little powder would facilitate his burning, directed a small stream from a keg upon the burning pipe, but not possessing a hand sufficiently quick to cut this supply off was blown into a million pieces.

The following was the verdict, delivered with great gravity by the official: "He died of suicide, because he didn't mean to kill himself. He didn't die for want of breath, for he hadn't anything to breathe with. It's plain he didn't know what he was about, so I shall bring in—died for want of common sense."

An English "Ball." Sir Francis Scott, the British commander in the recent expedition against Ashanti, is not believed to be a connoisseur of Sir Boyle Roche, but in reviewing the troops after their return to England he made a remark which is almost worthy to stand beside some of those of the celebrated master of "balls."

Sir Francis, in addressing his men, said: "You were no doubt disappointed because this campaign gave you no opportunity to fight, but if there had been any fighting, there would have been many absent faces here today!"—Youth's Companion.

No Argument Against Tobacco. Old Drywater—My boy, in all creation you won't find any animal except man who makes a habit of smoking. Young Puffs—Yes, sir. But neither do I know any other animal that cooks his meals!—Pick Me Up.

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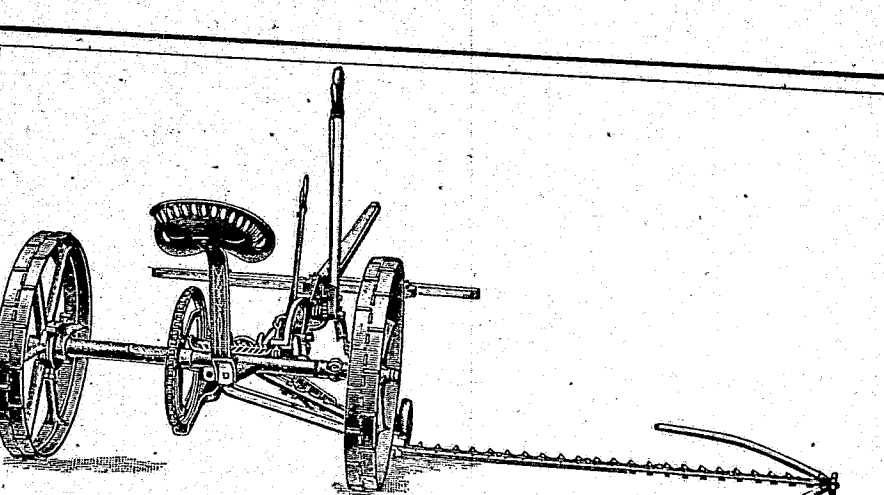
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